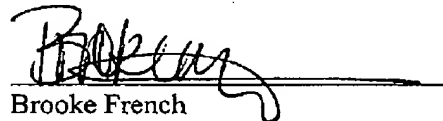


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Sir:

The outstanding Office Action mailed April 12, 2006 has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please enter the following amendments in which claim 17 is added. Claims 1-17 are now pending in the present application. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and presently pending claims, as amended, are respectfully requested.

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